Record Nr. UNINA9910455462203321 Autore Pryce Paula Titolo "Keeping the Lakes' way" : : reburial and the re-creation of a moral world among an invisible people / / Paula Pryce Pubbl/distr/stampa Toronto, [Ontario];; Buffalo, [New York];; London, [England]:,: University of Toronto Press, , 1999 ©1999 **ISBN** 1-281-99570-3 9786611995706 1-4426-7649-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (222 p.) Collana Heritage 971.162004979 Disciplina Soggetti Sinixt Indians - History Sinixt Indians - Funeral customs and rites - British Columbia - Vallican Cemeteries - British Columbia - Vallican Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- 1. Introductions: The Journey Home -- 2. Presence: Sinixt Interior Salish Ethnography, or the Contribution to Obscurity -- 3. The Latent Land: Towards a Lakes Diaspora -- 4. Competing Prophecies: The Case of the Vanishing Indian v. the Resurrection of the Ancestors -- 5. Emergence: Distress, Memory, and the Re-creation of Morality among an Invisible People --6. Afterthoughts on Here and Now -- Appendix 1. Selected Spelling Variations of 'Sinixt' -- Appendix 2. Selected Historical Sinixt Village and Resource Sites -- Notes -- References -- Index Virtually unknown of First Nations in Canada, the Arrow Lakes or Sinixt Sommario/riassunto Interior Salish of the North American Columbia Plateau have been declared officially extinct. This book investigates why this circumstance came about and how contemporary Sinixt have responded. Most of the Arrow Lakes people have lived in diaspora for a hundred years or more.

due in part to destructive mining activity in their historical territory. Since 1989, many have made pilgrimages to an ancient burial ground

and village site at Vallican, British Columbia, where they have worked against many obstacles to protect ancestral remains exhumed by archaeologists and road-builders. Paula Pryce explores this history, showing how time is culturally imbedded in the land. Social memory, time perspectives, sense of place, and the act of reburial have enhanced cultural continuity, meaning, and identity among the Lakes people. While telling a troubling story of dispossession and diaspora, grave sites and reburials, this powerful narrative also looks at the complex process of the construction and re-construction of identity in a world of constantly shifting boundaries. It is the first book devoted to the story of the Sinixt.